
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FEBRUARY 17, 1873.

Read twice, referred to the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. MITCHELL, on leave, introduced the following bill :

A BILL

Relating to the height at which railway-bridges may be constructed across the Mississippi River.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That all railway-bridges now authorized, or hereafter to be
4 authorized, to be constructed across the Mississippi River, may,
5 with the consent and approval of the Secretary of War, be
6 erected at an elevation of ten feet above extreme high-water
7 mark, any provisions of existing laws to the contrary notwith-
8 standing.